

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please **AMEND** the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 22, as follows:

With reference to Figure 1, the main central area of the lid is formed from the steel plate as is an integral tongue 114 whilst the hatches 104 and 106 are formed from the flexible overmoulded material. The tongue may, however, be formed, wholly or partly, from the flexible overmoulded material. This allows the hatches 104, 106 to be linked with the lid panel 102 by flexible hinges 160, 162 formed from the flexible material.

Please **AMEND** the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 17, as follows:

As discussed above, the hatches 104, 106 are joined to the lid body by relatively thin webs which act as integral hinges 160, 162. In the areas where there is an upstanding ridge 116, V shaped cut-out portions 164 are provided in the ridge to allow the hatches 104, 106 hatch to rotate relative to the lid body 102. The hinge webs are relatively long to ensure that the hatch will bend when the lid is covered with a floor surface material, not shown, which is glued onto the lid inside the perimeter defined by the ridge 116.